

Water Disputes Tribunal are as under :

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| (i) Karnataka | 465 TMC ft. |
| (ii) Tamil Nadu | Flows to be ensured in accordance with the terms of the Agreement of 1892 and 1924. |
| (iii) Kerala | 99.8 TMC ft. |
| (iv) Union Territory of Pondicherry | 9.3 TMC ft. |

(b) The Union Government constituted Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal on 2nd June, 1990 for adjudication of the Cauvery Water Dispute.

(c) So far, the Tribunal has conducted 90 hearings and the basin States are participating in the proceedings of the Tribunal.

(d) No further steps can be taken by the Union Government as the dispute is already with the Tribunal for adjudication.

Political Support for Population Programme

1427. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the population programme in the country has not received proper political support and failed to show effective results;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to work out suitable measures to ensure political support from all sections of the people for effective and speedy stabilisation of the population; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (c). With a view to demonstrate political commitment the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has introduced the Constitution (Seventy-Ninth Amendment) Bill, 1992 in Rajya Sabha in December, 1992 which, inter-alia, provides that a person shall be disqualified for being chosen as, and for being, a member of either House of the Parliament or either House of the Legislature of a State, if he has more than two children. The proposed amendment will, however, have prospective effect only and will not apply to any person having more than two children on the date of commencement of the proposed amendment, or within one year thereafter. The Bill was referred to Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development for examination and report. The Committee has recommended that the Bill be passed. However, the Committee has suggested to convene a meeting of all political parties for smooth passage of the Bill.

Cauvery Water Dispute

1428. SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN :

SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from the Government of Kerala regarding Cauvery Water dispute;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Union Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government have decided to invite Kerala State for the dialogue to settle the Cauvery Water dispute; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) to (d). The State Govt. of Kerala has submitted a memorandum wherein they have requests to ensure Kerala's participation in all discussions concerning the use of Cauvery Waters, and to make the Cauvery Water Dispute Tribunal (CWDT) fully functional.

Kerala will certainly be invited in any meeting which may be organised by the Union Govt. regarding use of Cauvery waters in future. As regards making the CWDT fully operational, the Union Government has already taken up with the Chief Justice of India for nominating a suitable Judge to fill up the post of Chairman, CWDT.

Sardar Sarovar Project

1429. SHRI P.S. GADHAVI :

DR. A.K. PATEL :

SHRI SANAT MEHTA :

SHRI KASHI RAM RANA :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of inter-State meetings held and the decisions arrived at the meeting of State Ministers under the Chairmanship of Union Minister on Sardar Sarovar Project during the last one year;

(b) whether a final decision in regard to the height of the project has been agreed to in the meetings;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the follow up action taken thereon so far; and

(d) other measures being taken to complete the project on schedule?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) to (c). The following meetings on Sardar Sarovar Project under the